



## 2005 SENATE BILL 523

January 25, 2006 – Introduced by Senators STEPP and WIRCH, cosponsored by Representatives VOS, HAHN, PETTIS, HUNDERTMARK, ALBERS, LEHMAN, BIES and TOWNS, by request of Southeast Wisconsin German Shorthair Pointer Club of Racine and Greater Milwaukee Brittany Club. Referred to Committee on Natural Resources and Transportation.

1     **AN ACT** *to amend* 20.370 (1) (hw); and *to create* 29.1923, 29.235 (4m), 29.562,  
2             29.563 (2) (h) and 169.20 (4m) of the statutes; **relating to:** pheasant carcass  
3             tags, bird dog training license fees, and hunting fee restrictions.

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### *Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau*

Under current law, with certain exceptions, no person may hunt pheasant in a pheasant management zone unless the person has, in addition to a valid hunting license, a pheasant hunting stamp issued by the Department of Natural Resources (DNR). This bill requires DNR to issue ten pheasant carcass tags, upon request, to each person who is issued a pheasant hunting stamp and to issue ten pheasant carcass tags automatically to a person who has a conservation patron license. A person who kills a pheasant on public hunting grounds stocked by DNR must attach the carcass tag to the leg of the pheasant. The bill establishes a fee for issuance of carcass tags of \$10 for ten tags, except that conservation patron license holders may obtain ten tags without paying a fee. Under the bill, DNR must use the fees collected for issuance of carcass tags for raising, purchasing, stocking, and propagating pheasants on lands under DNR's ownership, management, supervision, or control.

This bill also provides that DNR may not charge any fees for the privilege of hunting other than the fees specified by statute.

Under current law, no person may hunt certain live captive wild birds, including certain pheasants, solely for the purpose of training a dog to retrieve and track game unless DNR issues the person a bird dog training license. This bill requires that DNR use the money collected from fees for bird dog training licenses to maintain certain dog training grounds established by DNR.

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For further information see the *state* fiscal estimate, which will be printed as an appendix to this bill.

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*The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:*

1           **SECTION 1.** 20.370 (1) (hw) of the statutes, as created by 2005 Wisconsin Act 25,  
2 is amended to read:

3           20.370 (1) (hw) *Pheasant stocking and propagation.* ~~Sixty percent~~ All moneys  
4 received under s. 29.1923 and 60 percent of the moneys received under s. 29.191 (2)  
5 for the raising, purchasing, stocking, and propagation of pheasants on lands under  
6 the department's ownership, management, supervision, or control.

7           **SECTION 2.** 29.1923 of the statutes is created to read:

8           **29.1923 Pheasant carcass tags. (1)** The department shall issue pheasant  
9 carcass tags to each person who is issued a conservation patron license under s.  
10 29.235. The department shall, upon request, issue pheasant carcass tags to each  
11 person who is issued a pheasant hunting stamp. The department shall issue the  
12 pheasant carcass tags in packs of 10. A person who kills a pheasant on public hunting  
13 grounds upon which pheasant have been stocked by the department shall  
14 immediately attach a carcass tag to the leg of the pheasant.

15           **(2)** The fees collected under this section shall be credited to the appropriation  
16 account under s. 20.370 (1) (hw).

17           **SECTION 3.** 29.235 (4m) of the statutes is created to read:

18           29.235 **(4m)** PHEASANT CARCASS TAGS. The department may not charge a fee for  
19 pheasant carcass tags issued to the holder of a conservation patron license under s.  
20 29.1923. The department may charge a fee for additional packs of pheasant carcass  
21 tags issued to persons holding a conservation patron license.

